



St Patrick's Catholic Parish

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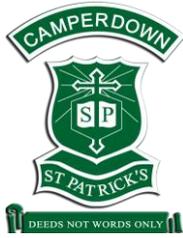
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Dear Friends,

The Jewish people had a great respect and reverence for the book of Torah (Scriptures). This book contains their laws: they are religious laws, cultural laws, purification laws, liturgical laws, social laws and civil laws - so there are many commandments. In today's gospel Jesus engages in teaching about the "Commandment of Love". The religious leaders, particularly Pharisees, were confused and asked Jesus: 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest', because Jesus has reduced their laws into one commandment, however with two parts.

Here Jesus is answering their question about the greatest commandment and telling them that the whole law (in the book of Torah) and the prophets depend on these commandments: the commandment of love of God and of our neighbour. Jesus makes the love of neighbour part and parcel of the commandment of love. Our love for God does not bring us into an exclusive relationship, but rather it diffuses, spreads and brings others into the circle of love. We show our love for God by loving our fellow human beings as we love ourselves. So therefore love of God complements love of neighbour. Both are inseparable and qualify each other - there is no conflict between the two. Jesus not only preached but also demonstrated this way of life. So let us follow the example of Jesus in our day-to-day life. - Neville.



Weekend Mass Times (N/A)

Saturday: 6.30pm Cobden

Sunday: 9am 1st Sun. Simpson

9am 2nd Sun. Lismore

9am 3rd/5th Sun. Timboon

9am 4th Sun. Derrinallum

(Lay led assembly will be held on the other weekends)

Every Sunday: 10.30 am

Camperdown.

(due to this emergency state)

Saints and Feasts:

Mon – St Paul of the Cross

Tues –St Irene

Wed – St Laura Montoya Uprgui

Thurs – St John Paul II

Fri – St John of Capistrano

Sat – St Anthony Claret, Bishop

Pray for the Sick:

Please remember those who are in ill health: Fr Denis Dennehy, Vincent Bacha, Brendan Fowler, Wilson Watts, Kristen Pickford, Devin McKlaren, John O'Brien, Brian Wain, Jan Riches.

Anniversaries of Deaths

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Albert Clarke, Thomas Dolan, Geoffrey Lucas, Bernard Ryan, Margaret Arandt, and Kevin Carey.

Please consider making your Planned Giving contributions and Sunday collections via bank transfers. This will help running the parish which still needs to cover its costs while the current situation continues.

Parish bank details: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8126 (Envelopes).

Presbytery: BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8142 (Collection). Thank you

A Prayer in This Time of Distress: O God, healer of all our ills, to whom we turn in his time of distress, grant, we pray in the power of faith, eternal rest to the dead and comfort to those who mourn, health to the sick and peace to the dying, strength to medical workers, wisdom to our leaders and a spirit of kindness to us all. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your son who lives and Reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. one God. for ever and ever. Amen.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A – 25th October 2020

MASS TIMES:

Sunday: Camperdown at 10:30am (Live Stream)

Only Sunday Mass can be viewed on YouTube at 10.30 am.

Please Search: St. Patrick Church Camperdown on YouTube.

Or enter the link below into your web browser:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1c1zEq4cD-J1ayzRTSbTcw>

As an alternative you can also visit: <https://www.youtube.com>, enter **St Patricks Camperdown channel** and it will take you to our page.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has issued information regarding gatherings in places of worship now that restrictions have eased in regional Victoria. All updates are on the diocesan website "news" section

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Message from Vicar General

The following is the most recent update COVID 19 restrictions:

Ceremonies and religious gatherings

- Indoor Religious ceremonies: not allowed; 5 people can attend a place of worship to conduct a ceremony being broadcast
- Private worship: allowed for households, plus a faith leader
- Outdoor religious gatherings and ceremonies: up to 20 people, plus 1 faith leader, proximate to a place of worship
- Weddings: up to 10 people (including couple and two witnesses), celebrant excluded from cap
- Funerals: up to 20 people, infants under 12 months and people to conduct funeral not included in cap. If weddings or funerals are held at private residence, private gathering restrictions apply
- Places of worship (including the conducting of ceremonies): subject to existing workplace requirements, including but not limited to record keeping, cleaning requirements, and having a COVIDSafe plan in place

FROM 11.59PM, 1 NOVEMBER:

- Outdoor religious gatherings and ceremonies: up to 50 people, plus 1 faith leader, proximate to a place of worship

Please remember that we are not beyond the law and the requisites of canon law for celebrating Mass.

Regards,

Kevin Maloney

Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle: Tickets Still only \$10. Drawn on 30th November. You could purchase your tickets online at www.cutt.ly/mrc-2020 for more information at www.mercy.vic.edu.au Thank you. More information please contact Rose Henry Mobile: 0407 875 886.

Call for Readers: If you would like to participate in the Mass streamed on Sundays as a reader, please contact the presbytery on 03 5593 1284 to leave your details. Thank you: Peter Conheady for being our reader during last week's streamed Mass.

e-News

The Diocesan e-News is the online newsletter of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat. It is supported by the print publication "Our Diocesan Community" and the Diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au. Diocesan e-News is published every two weeks and distributed via email. It is available to all members and those associated with the diocese and to those with an interest in the life of the diocese. We encourage you to subscribe to e-News so you can receive updates and information about the life and activity of the parishes, schools and agencies of the diocese. To subscribe please go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au, click News & Events in the menu at the top, then e-News and register for the diocesan e-News by the subscribe box.

November 16 so the latest date for submissions to this issue is Friday, October 23. Articles should be approximately 250 words maximum in length and accompanied by photos where possible. Photos should be sent as separate JPEG files (NOT inserted into a Word document). Material can be sent to odc@ballarat.catholic.org.au. A reminder that when sending in photos, permission should be sought from those in the pictures. From time-to-time, these photos will also be used in other diocesan publications. Issue 2 is ready for delivery to schools and parishes. We hope distribution will commence soon, as we rely on the staff of the diocesan offices and Catholic Education Office for delivery.

Jane & Julie for the ODC Editorial Committee

We are a Child-safe, Welcoming and Environmentally-friendly Parish

Catholic Mission October Annual Appeal

The month of October, known as Mission Month across Australia, provides for us an opportunity to consider again the many ways in which we engage with others in the spirit of mission. World Mission Sunday is an opportunity for us to engage with this world, feel connected to it, and contribute to its life and vitality. **WAYS TO GIVE:** Due to COVID restrictions here are some ways to support the Appeal - 1. Envelope 2. visit Website – give online at [www/catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia); 3. Text GIVE to 0488 854 436 and then follow instructions. Thank you for your prayerful support and generosity. Catholic Mission has introduced donation by mobile phone. The process is simple, one only needs to send the word “GIVE” to the number 0488 854 436. This promotes an immediate reply which provides a link to a platform to make a donation. Please contact Sue Searls on 0403 902 921 if more information sought.

'Walking with Wisdom' Contemplative Sessions (via Zoom) – Thursdays, 10am-12.30pm (AEST) on 8, 15, 22 & 29 October 2020. We invite you to join us for a series of contemplative sessions with Carole Carmody rsm and Marlene McGrath, providing opportunities for Deep Listening: to oneself at this unique time in our lives; to Divine Wisdom in the Heart, and in the Hearts of Others; and to engage in a gentle, creative response. Join for one or all sessions. \$85 for the Series or \$25 per session. Bookings at www.trybooking.com/BLILH. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, tel 03 9890 1101, www.heartoflife.melbourne

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Bishop's Office

In line with government directives aimed at slowing the spread of the coronavirus and safety measures being undertaken throughout our communities, please note the Bishop's office will remain closed to visitors until further notice. Staff are still working to continue supporting our clergy, parish and office staff and communities through these challenging times, and continue being available via email or phone. Contact details until further notice: bishopsoffice@ballarat.catholic.org.au, ph. 03 5337 7121, djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au, vicargeneral@ballarat.catholic.org.au, michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au. The Pastoral Ministry Office pastoralministry@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Plenary Council Discernment Papers

The six discernment papers have been released and are available to be read. The National Plenary Facilitation Team will soon release resources to assist parishes and communities to explore each of the papers. Here in the diocese, we will endeavour to look at one paper for a month. Read the discernment paper at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/PC2020-thematic-papers-2.pdf>. Visit the [Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal theme's page at https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/](https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/inclusive/).

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Ex 22:20-26

A reading from the book of Exodus

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

The Lord said to Moses, “Tell the sons of Israel this, “You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

“If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

“If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity.”

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2

(R.) I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. (R.)

Second Reading: 1 Thes 1:5-10

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation) Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mt 22:34-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Did you notice that Our Lord does not command us to love 'God'? No, we are to love 'the *Lord* your God', the One who rescued the Jewish people from slavery. The resurrection of Jesus Christ reveals the Lord God as the liberator from the apparent final dominance of death. Loving such a liberator is the natural response. So, 'Love *the Lord* your God'.

Then Our Lord does not command us to love our neighbour! Rather, 'Love your neighbour as *yourself*.' But who is 'yourself'? In the wonderful story-telling of Genesis, we are told that Adam, an earthen statue, had Divine Breath breathed into the nostrils, creating him as a human being. We earthlings are conceived with the Divine Breath at the core of our being.

The challenge for you and for me is to see 'yourself' in that way, and thereafter every human being whose lives we can affect: the neighbour. And in today's global world, the neighbour can be a person in a society geographically or culturally distant.

We could pause for a moment to see the true dimensions of God, self and the other, to more easily fulfil the dual command.

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We, the Parish community wish to pledge ourselves for our children's safety and well-being